

WEST FARGO HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Candidate Application

Name of Candidate:

Alex Aughinbaugh

Level of Player(s):

Termite, Mite, and Squirt

Position you are interested in:

Executive Vice President

Qualifications/What makes you a good fit for this position:

I've been around hockey for the majority of my life, all in the Fargo/West Fargo area. I started as a squirt and played through High School at Fargo South then transitioned to officiating my senior year. My officiating experience spans 18 years and counting from youth level through NCAA giving me a solid understanding of the rules, different behaviors, and how to manage players, coaches, and parents calmly and objectively. I'm currently a level 4 tenured USA Hockey, High School Federation, ACHA, and NCAA (Division 3) official and level 3 certified USA hockey coach with plans on completing level 4 this fall. Because of this experience, I'm very familiar with the different USA Hockey and NDAHA policies, processes, and procedures required for this position.

Professionally I've developed the qualities needed to be successful in this position. I've worked at Verizon Communications for 14 years, starting in customer service then quickly transitioning to sales, management, operations, and HQ project management. All of my positions within Verizon have required solving complex problems, effective communication using different methods and platforms, hitting deadlines, and managing people with a variety of personalities.

Hockey is and continues to be one of me and my family's favorite activities. I have four boys all who love the sport of hockey, three of which will be playing for the Stampede next year. I've helped coach their teams for the past 4 years, and plan on continuing for many years to come. This position interests me because I want to continue helping shape stampede hockey for all the great youth hockey players in our area. It's my goal to make sure my children and every stampede player enjoys playing hockey and wants to come to the rink. If given this opportunity I will work hard to help stampede hockey remain a strong and reputable organization for many years to come.

**Thank you for your consideration,
Alex Aughinbaugh**